Professional Development Recommended Links (Following the process outlined in the NCREL PD Toolkit) The following list was developed by Jean Weller, May 2003.

Overview: Why Focus on PD?

Tool: NCREL Professional Development Toolkit (1999) North Central Regional Educational Laboratory (http://www.ncrel.org/pd/toolkit.htm

Article: How Teaching Matters: Bringing the Classroom Back Into Discussions of Teacher Quality (10/18/2000)

Milken Foundation (http://www.mff.org/edtech/)

http://www.mff.org/edtech/

Guides: Ongoing Professional Development and Technology Professional Development George Lucas Education Foundation (http://www.glef.org (follow links on left side to cited guides)

Collection of Articles: Professional Development Articles listing Jamie McKenzie (http://fno.org)
http://staffdevelop.org/articles.html

Document: Standards for Professional Development Schools (2001) National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE - http://www.ncate.org/) http://www.ncate.org/2000/pdsstands_10-00.pdf

Guide: Apple's ACOT lessons on Professional Development Apple Computers (http://www.apple.com/
http://www.apple.com/education/planning/profdev/index.html

Article: Rethinking Professional Development from Improving America's Schools: Newsletter on Issues in School Reform - May 1996
US Department of Education (http://www.ed.gov/pubs/IASA/newsletters/profdev/pt1.html

Booklet: Learning Point: Staff Development (2000)
National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE - http://www.ncate.org/)

http://www.ncrel.org/info/nlp/lpsp00.pdf

Article: Creating Effective Teachers: Concise Answers to Hard Questions 2003 (compendium of research studies, summarized)
Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) (http://www.ericsp.org/pages/digests/ericsearch/Select.asp

Collection of Articles: Improving Teacher Quality: Imperative for School Reform: Continuing Professional Development (2001)
National Partnership for Excellence and Accountability in Teaching (NPEAT) (located on ERIC's web site) (http://www.ericsp.org/)
http://www.ericsp.org/pages/digests/ConProfDev.pdf

Guide: Principles of Practice for Successful Professional Development (a Knowledge Loom Publication) 2000

The Education Alliance at Brown University (http://knowledgeloom.org/index.jsp)
http://knowledgeloom.org/practices3.jsp?location=1&bpinterid=1034&spotlightid=1034&practicelisttype=1

Article: Transforming Professional Development for Student Success (1996) NEA's Foundation for The Improvement of Education (NFIE) (http://www.nfie.org/publications/takecharge.htm

Designing Professional Development:

Include Participants:

Guide: Involving Others in Organizing PD (1999+) NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/pd/involve.htm

Article: Engaging Public Support for Teacher's Professional Development (2000) NEA's Foundation for The Improvement of Education (NFIE) (http://www.nfie.org/publications/engaging.htm

Making the Plan:

Tool: Designing Powerful Professional Development for Teachers and Principals (2002) National Staff Development Council (NSDC) (http://www.nsdc.org/educatorindex.htm (scroll down to cited resource link)

Guide: Designing Effective PD (1999+)

NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/) http://www.ncrel.org/pd/plan.htm

Needs Assessment:

Guide: What Kind of PD Do You Need? (1999+)

NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/pd/needs.htm

Goals

Guide: Setting PD Goals (1999+) NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/pd/goals.htm

Activities

Narrated Presentation: Professional Development and Technology: Strategies and Examples (2002)

Technology Information Center for Administrative Leadership (TICAL)

(http://www.portical.org/index.html)

http://www.portical.org/barnett_intro.html (will need to scroll to cited presentation)

Article: Critical Issue: Terms of Engagement—Rethinking Teachers' Independent

Learning Traits (2003)

NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/)

http://www.ncrel.org/sdrs/areas/issues/educatrs/profdevl/pd400.htm

Guide: PD Activities (1999+)
NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/pd/active.htm

Article: Critical Issue: Providing Professional Development for Effective Technology

Use (2000)

NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/)

http://www.ncrel.org/sdrs/areas/issues/methods/technlgy/te1000.htm

Article: Some alternatives to Short-term, "one-size-fits-all" workshops North West Regional Education Laboratories (NWREL) http://www.nwrel.org/request/june98/article10.html

Research:

Guide: PD Research (1999+)
NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/pd/research.htm

Resources:

Guide: Funding PD (1999+) NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/pd/funding.htm

Tool: Finding Time for PD (1999+ NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/pd/time.htm

Evaluation:

Guide: Evaluating PD (1999+) NCREL (http://www.ncrel.org/pd/eval.htm

Guide: An Educator's Guide to Evaluating The Use of Technology in Schools and Classrooms (1998) (although written to evaluate any program in schools using technology, it can easily be used for a PD program)

US Department of Education (http://www.ed.gov/pubs/EdTechGuide/